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## **CLAIMS**

- 1. A metal fiber concrete mix based on cement, aggregates and water, which includes metal fibers having:
- a diameter of between 1.15 mm and 1.8 mm,
  - an aspect ratio of between 35 and 45; and
- in which the quantity of these metal fibers is such that their weight is at least 80 kg/m<sup>3</sup> of hardened concrete.
  - 2. The concrete mix as claimed in claim 1, in which the metal fibers have an aspect ratio of around 40.
- The concrete mix as claimed in either of claims 1 and 2, in which the metal fibers have a length of between 45 and 65 mm.
  - 4. The concrete mix as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, in which the dosage of metal fiber is between 80 and 180 kg/m³.
  - 5. The concrete mix as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, in which the cement has a grain size of between 1 and 100 μm.
- 6. The concrete mix as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, in which the aggregates comprise sand having a grain size of between 1 and 5 mm.
  - 7. The concrete mix as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, in which the aggregates comprise coarse elements with a size of between 5 and

25 mm.

8. The concrete mix as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, in which the metal fibers are steel wire fibers.

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- 9. The concrete mix as claimed in any one of the preceding claims, in which the metal fibers have a straight, corrugated, ribbed or hooked shape, or a combination of these shapes.
- 10 10. A metal fiber concrete element obtained by pouring and hardening a concrete mix as claimed in any one of the preceding claims.
  - 11. The concrete element as claimed in claim 10, which is obtained by pouring into a formwork or mold.

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- 12. The concrete element as claimed in claim 10 or 11, said element having a generally plane shape and a slenderness ratio of up to 35, but containing no conventional reinforcements.
- The use of a concrete element as claimed in any one of claims 10 to 12 as structural or decorative element in a construction, especially as a floor slab, shell, retaining wall, beam, column, foundation slab or raft.
- The use of a concrete mix as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 9 for the construction, by pouring into a mold or formwork, a structural concrete element such as a floor slab, a shell, a retaining wall, a foundation slab, a raft, a beam or a column.
- 15. The use of a concrete mix as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 9 as ready mixed concrete.